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Good Day,

Registrar Corp assists manufacturers and exporters in Norway with U.S. Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") compliance. Since companies in Norway look to you for assistance regarding FDA requirements, we would like to remind you of two upcoming compliance deadlines affecting food and beverage exports to the United States.

## October 1, 2020: FDA Food Facility Registration Renewal Requirement

Food facilities that are registered with FDA must renew their registrations between October 1, 2020 and December 31, 2020. Shipments from Norway may be refused entry to the United States when the associated food facility registration is not renewed properly. After the 2018 renewal period, FDA cancelled 20% of food registrations for failure to renew.

New this year, facilities will need to submit Unique Facility Identifiers (UFIs) as part of their renewal. If a facility does not already have a UFI, it is prudent to request one immediately. D-U-N-S<sup>®</sup> numbers are currently the only UFIs recognized by FDA. It is possible that this new requirement will cause a backlog of UFI requests, thus slowing the renewal process. A delay in receiving a UFI puts the facility at risk of not being able to renew in time.

## January 1, 2021: Deadline for New Labeling Requirements

FDA finalized new rules that mandate significant changes to the Nutrition Facts labels for food, beverages, and dietary supplements. The compliance deadline for manufacturers with less than \$10 million in annual food sales is January 1, 2021. Larger businesses were required to comply in January 2020. Labeling errors are a leading cause of FDA detentions. Companies in Norway should begin updating their labels now to assure compliance with the new FDA requirements.

If exporters from Norway have doubts about any of the above requirements, Registrar Corp's team of multilingual Regulatory Specialists can provide support. Registrar Corp can help facilities obtain UFIs as well as properly renew a facility's FDA registration and serve as U.S. Agent for FDA communications. Additionally, Registrar Corp can review or update an exporter's labels to assure compliance.

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